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THOMPSON'S WEEKLY REVIEW OF THE PASSING SHOW

CHURCH PEOPLE MUCH ALIVE

What the General Conference is Planning to Accomplish—The Last Forecast Indicative of Radical Action All Along the Line.

(By Our Special Staff Correspondent.)

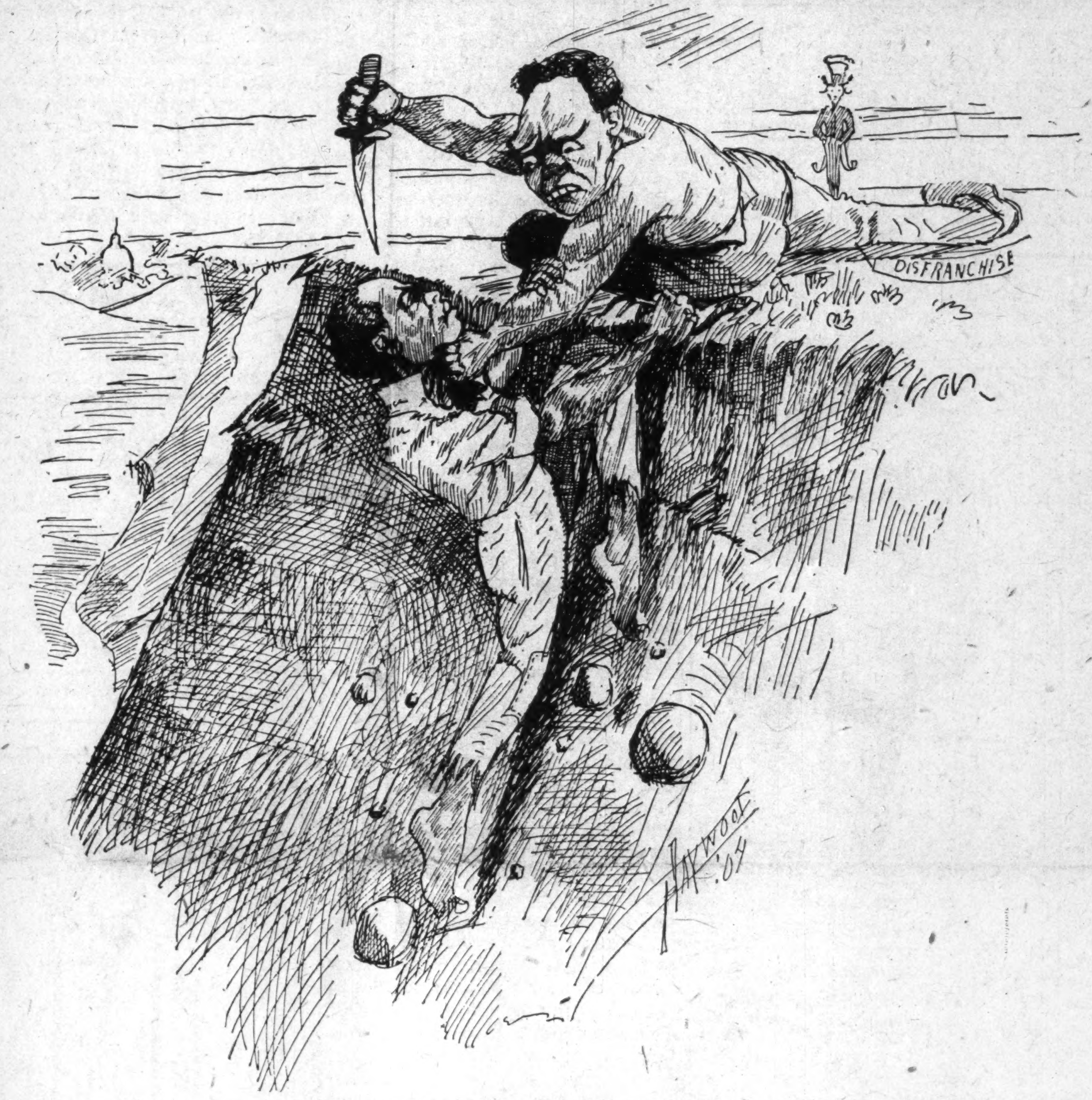
Wilberforce's prospective new Carnegie library isn't the only extraordinary piece of good luck that has befallen that great Methodist university in the past few months. She was unusually fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Henry Y. Arnett as traveling financial agent. Starting out as an experiment, under a special prank of the church authorities, he began immediately to give a good account of himself, and through his conscientious and intelligently directed efforts among the people more than $1,200 have been placed to the credit of the institution and all expenses have been met. Mr. Arnett recently completed a pretty thorough campaign for funds and students through the middle South, visiting Louisville, Nashville, Mobile, Selma, Montgomery and Birmingham, meeting the prominent citizens of both races at each place, and speaking to the students of the high schools and colleges. He addressed himself particularly to the senier classes of the several schools, and gave them an especial invitation to attend Wilberforce, where they might, to excellent advantage, complete their higher training. Mr. Arnett says he is determined to place 1,000 students in Wilberforce University next term. While in Mobile he took a "look in" upon the session of the A. M. E. Bishops' Council, and got a very comprehensive idea as to how several cats are expected to jump at the general conference in May. Although the board expressed itself as feeling capable of carrying on the work with its present strength, Mr. Arnett imagined that there would be no indignant protests from the right reverend gentlemen if the general assembly thought differently. He would not be surprised if two or three bishops should be chosen at Chicago, and seemed to perceive a very positive drift toward Drs. H. T. Johnson and H. B. Parks. Resting briefly at Wilberforce Mr. Arnett is now off again student hunting, planning to include in his itinerary Circleville, Lancaster, Newark, Zanesville, Steubenville, Youngstown, Cleveland, Sandusky, Toledo and Findlay, in Ohio; Wheeling, W. Va.; Washington, Pittsburg, Uniontown, New Haven, New Brighton and McKeesport, in Pennsylvania. This will bring him up to the sitting of the general conference. While engaged in this successful work of influencing patronage for his beloved school suspicious ones have called attention to the fact that he has not overlooked the towns where divers and sundry delegates reside, and that the cordial Arnett "grip" and seductive smile are strikingly in evidence thereabouts. This may or may not be confirmatory of the rumor that Mr. Arnett has yielded to the solicitation of his friends and will stand for election to the position of business manager of the book concern, for the duties of which he undoubtedly possesses superior qualifications. The prevalent disposition to turn these purely administrative positions over to the laity may materially assist him to reach the Philadelphia haven. Mr. Arnett will be a delegate to the general conference himself, representing this year, as he did in 1900, the Nova Scotia work, and will have charge of all legislation affecting the Women's Mite Missionary Societies.

The conference will contain some strong forces, and the business transacted will have a far-reaching influence upon the history of the church. The programs for the big meetings will be the most interesting yet offered. President Roosevelt will send a special message by a personal representative. Gov. Richard Yates, of Illinois, will deliver the address of welcome. Other addresses on appropriate themes will be presented by Bishop C. P. Galloway, of the M. E. Church, South; Gov. W. T. Durbin, of Indiana; Dr. Booker T. Washington and the several bishops of the conference itself. To accommadate the crowds that will be sure to attend the largest auditoriums in Chicago have been secured.

Whoever else the A. M. E. General Conference may see fit to call to the bishopric there is unquestionably a strong popular sentiment that the claims of Dr. H. T. Johnson be recognized at this time. The vacancy caused by the death of Bishop M. M. Moore should, by all means, be filled. If all the bishops chosen at Columbus were needed for years ago they are certainly needed now. Dr. Johnson is at the head of those in the regular line of promotion, and he should be elected. That he is a master theologian, a brilliant scholar and a churchman, possessing the dignity, poise, and polish regarded as essntial to the episcopal office is universally conceded. He is admired, respected and honored within his denomiation and by the entire outside world. As pastor, editor of the connectional organ and defender of the church polity, he has shown rare executive ability and spiritual power. As a bishop he would add materially to the prestige of Methodism everywhere, and his elevation would place a premium upon perfect equipment and judicial temperament as prerequisites to attaining the church's highest award.

The situation as it relates to the probable action of the General Conference of the A. M. E. Zion Church has undergone no change in recent weeks. Drs. J. W. Smith and J. S. Caldwell, as the matter stands, will be advanced to the bishopric by the practically unanimous approval of the denominational legislature and church body. Yet there are several candidates whose merits will not be passed by without very careful consideration if for no other reason than to test their eligibility for official honors at a later period. It is well for the church to keep constantly on hand an abundance of seasoned material. In this class, ranking number one, belongs Rev. William H. Chambers, the energetic and popular pastor of Jones' Tabernacle, Indianapolis, Ind. His history from early manhood has been an unbroken chain of ministerial triumph, and to every task, however difficult, he has brought a resourceful intellect and an untiring zeal that never stopped short of victory. Dr. Chambers has the enthusiastic endorsement of the Kentucky Conference, and is put forward in response to a pronounced demand for a Western bishop, one unto the manor born. The A. M. E. Church has been wise in this respect and has given the hustling West a liberal representation upon her Episcopal bench. It is only a question of time when Zion will follow suit. If circumstances should not argue it expedient to crystallize this sentiment into definite action at the St. Louis conference the natural expansion of the church in the next four years will make an additional bishop a necessity, in which case Dr. Chambers and the West will certainly have the call.

The question of giving the Negro representation upon their bench of bishops will have to be faced squarely at this year's general conferences of the M. E. Church and of the P. E. Church likewise. Both organizations are committed to the plan of carrying on the work among the races along separate lines. If experience shows that colored people are better satisfied with congregations and parishes of their own it also shows that they are better satisfied to administer the government of the same throught officers of their own color, from bishop to layman. It is understood that these progressieve and helpful churches have conceded the righteousness of the demand of the colored brethren for Episcopal honors, but there is hesitation over the question of the expediency of such a grant. There is a pronounced fear of a social equality problem that may develop if a Negro bishop appears at a function, clad in the full panoply of the church, and again the apparent inconsistency of having a white bishop for the whites and a black bishop for the blacks in the same diocese, and the difficulty of drawing a proper line between where the authority of each begins and ceases, when if both are real bishops their powers are co-ordinate. Nothing illustrates more clearly than this the fallacy and absurdity of the entire color line foolishness, especially when applied to purely business relations or in work where the Golden Rule of the Master is supposed to be most strictly observed. These churches are rendering excellent service in the Negro's behalf, educationally and morally, but if they hope to make reasonable headway in this work in the future they will find it best to give the race a comple organization, and offer the highest honors as an incentive to enlist the endeavors of our capable men. The A. M. E. and the A. M. E. Zion Churches stand with open doors to Negro talent, and present a royal road to the loftiest positions and the proud privilege of self-government in every branch.



Come up, Uncle Sam, and take a hand.

The intelligent minister of the M. E. Church is embarrassed when asked why he prefers to march in the rear of a procession led by an alien race, when a useful and unrestricted career among his own people is his for the acceptance thereof. I hope men like Drs. J. W. E. Bowen, M. C. B. Mason, E. W. S. Hammond, I. L. Thomas, Joseph Courtney, O. M. Waller, H. C. Bishop, T. J. Brown, G. Frazier Miller, G. A. McGuire, G. F. Bragg and other prominent factors in their respective churches will keep this matter before the conferences, and see to it that the issue is vigorously pressed. The question might as well as not be fought out upon its merit at once. There is no dearth of material among the gentlemen named from which one or more ideal bishop for each denomination can be constructed.

A policy of mere negation is not accepted by sensible men today in lieu of the tangible thing in hand. An individual who has done nothing, possesses nothing, and benefited nobody is scarcely followed in preference to the man who creates, acquires, develops and completes an enterprise that confers blessings upon thousands of human beings. To be a visionary obstructionists in the pathway of him who is building up is to advertise one's self as a dolt. The opposition leader must advance a constructive policy that must commend itself as superior to that which he condemns. He cannot convince or move people by mere criticism. They will not respond to a call to tear down until they have seen the plans and specifications and seasoned material for the new edifice promised. Finely-praised speeches and ingeniously-worded editorials are often entertaining, and we discuss them as artistic mosaics or marvelous examples of oratorical calisthenics, but the sane among us do not cast away the substantial in exchange for such tawdry rubbish. Study it out!

SHARPS AND FLATS.

Lynching is no remedy for crime.

Maryland is to us no longer "My Maryland."

Boom the Negro Business League everywhere.

Kentucky is not producing any more John M. Harlans, more's the pity.

The Republican party is not gaining a vote by delaying the confirmation of Dr. W. D. Crum.

It is pretty well established that John S. is not as "wise" as the Negro suffragists thought he was.

Help our struggling Negro lawyers when they are honest and competent, by placing your legal business in their hands.

Kentucky's ripper policy has finished Berea College as a school for the co-education of the races. It is Berea's move.

Officers of the law do the entire fabric of government a lasting injury when they permit themselves to be bested by a mob.

The American Nego, of strong arm and good digestion, has the chance of his life to win fame by digging the Panama canal.

Kentucdy is due a Negro delegate at-large to the Chicago convention. W. D. Johnson would suit everybody more nearly than any one else.

A good way to discourage jim crow cars is not to ride in them. Do not travel any more than you can help. A white man does continue an unprofitable business.

There is no good reason why the A. M. E. General Conference should not adopt Bishop Turner's thoughtful suggestion and clothe her presiding elders with the title of "Very Reveend"

Long life to Mr. and Mrs. Augustus M. Hodges. Now that the well known writer and humorist has a brand new bride to keep him straight I am sure he will continue to "B. Square."

Prof. W. E. B. DuBois' really excellent lecture a few evenings ago in Louisville indicated that the New York secret conference of educators had not been barren of good results as far as he was concerned.

John G. Carlisle's legal stomach was not strong enough to stand for an argument in favor of the black man's constitutional rights, nor could he place his social rank in jeopardy. Hence he is out of the Virginia cases to test the suffrage laws.

Has it ever occurred to anyone that if all of Booker T. Washington's army of supporters are "subsidized" that Tuskegee's annual expenses would scarcely be met by the $155,000 shown by the treasurer's report.

Senator Boise Penrose, of Pennsylvania, would make an admirable chairman of the National Republican Committee. He is a typical American in the truest sense, and knows no man by his color or financial status. He is the friend of all classes.

Revs. E. D. W. Jones and T. H. Tipton are preparing to issue a handsome hand book of the A. M. E. Zion General Conference, to contain the cuts and sketches of many of the delegates, program of the conference and other matter of a useful character to those who expect to be present.

Subterfuges and legal technicalities are being employed even in Chicago to prevent Negroes from being accommodated in restaurants and other public places. Lawyer Beauregard F. Mosely got a judgment of $25 damage against a "scape grace" for discrimination, but could not collect it because of a flaw in the wording of the judge's charge to the jury.

Roscoe Conkling Simmons has made a deep dent in the alleged "heroism" of Gov. Vardaman by showing that after all the Paul Revere like ride of the latter, obstensively to prevent a Negro from being lynched, had at its bottom a desire to save white planters from financial loss. It looks as if the lynx-eyed Roscoe has caught Vardaman's "jack" in that little game of bluff.

Sophia Gab, a colored woman 129 years of age, and a native of Virginia, died recently in Chicago. Mrs. Gab had a host of descendants, some of whom settled in Chicago to practice law and edit newspapers, but the bulk of them appear to have gradually clustered in and about Washington City and are now doing oratorical "stunts" at the literaries.

"Working With the Hands," a new book by Booker T. Washington, is announced by the well known firm of Doubleday, Page & Co. It has been published as a serial in Everybody's Magazine, as was "Up From Slavery" in the Outlook, and it has elicited much favorable comment from the best literary authorities. The book will be ready in a few weeks, and will, doubtless, be warmly welcomed by the reading public.

I beg to acknowledge, with thanks, the receipt of a copy of the tenth annual edition of the Florida Sentinel, Pensacola, Fla., published at Pensacola by that prince of Southern journalists, Col. M. M. Lewey. The paper is a splendid conception, both in literary and quality and typographical make-up, the story of Florida's great cities and her big men being well written, and the volumn illuminated by many artistically executed cuts of persons and places. Col. Lewey is a business man of the very first rank.

R. W. THOMPSON.

The Freeman, as admitted by all Negro newspapers, is the peer of weekly journals. Are you a subscriber? If not, why not?

HAS HE ADVANCED

IS THE NEGRO LOSING GROUND IN A HEREDITARY POSITION

FIND CAUSE THEN APPLY REMEDY

Exceptions Taken to Mr. John B. Goins' Reasons Why the Colored Waiter is Giving Away to White Waiters—Too Many "Figureheads."

To the Editor of The Freeman.

Having read your valuable paper for more than a year with unmitigated consideration particular articles written by various authors and commentators on "Dining Room Service," until I have become curious to know from whence the author becomes in possession of such wonderful knowledge or nerve to personally declare, through the press, such ridiculous statements as have appeared on two or three different occasions in the columns of your well circulated paper: "There are no first class, artistic colored waiters." Unfortunately, for the author, all the Indianapolis colored "stars" have not had the opportunity to give service under his exalted administration; due from the fact that the consideration paid for said service is not "worth while." In voicing the sentiment of the Indianapolis colored "artistic" waiters I can say they have had sufficient experience to know what a job is, as well as service.

I wonder from what authority he speaks, whether from self-experience, self-ability or self-conceit. "It must have been a dream." Surely the Moses of our profession are too clearsighted to not have conceived that "there are others." Why, this age is too far advanced to give vent to such an expression. Why, there are masters of all professions. There are Negroes who are capable of doing most anything, even capable of mastering the Columbia Club's dining room, and then will not be vain enough to believe "there are no others," and publish his opinions with such dominating assurance. Too bad for him, that all Negroes thoughts do not run in the same direction.

In speaking of the redemption of the Negro waiter, "or gaining lost laurels," as he termed it—how we lost them is the most important question, and one that confronts us with the most force. I am sure the author will be consistent enough to agree that, first: "Find its cause and then prescribe your remedy." It is not because there is no first class, artistic colored waiters; not because Negroes will not support each other; not because he fluctuates; not because his aspiration is limited to what is commonly called a "good time."

But I will say, without fear of contradiction, the evil that has been most conspicuous, resulting in colored waiters losing their positions in various hotels, and white waiters succeeding them is due to the fact that there are so many incompetent headwaiters, who succeeded in securing their positions by some voluntary act of kindness or a little press notoriety, or accept a position for a consideration that no capable man could possibly live at. And while serving in the capacity of headwaiter they are, in reality, "a mere figurehead," and "figureheads" are what is killing the Negro waiters of today. And, instead of no first class, artistic colored waiters, if the author would glance over the first class, artistic colored headwaiters I think he would find them equally as scarce. And, should the Hotel and Stewards' Association appropriate funds sufficient to warrant the erection of a service institution at the Hon. Booker T. Washington's industrial academy you would find more would-be headwaiters than you would sidewaiters, and there for terms equally as long. And, even after graduating, I have a fear that there would still remain a lack of competency, from the very fact that some of our would be stars are subjected to the common disease known as the "enlargement of the head."

A SUBSCRIBER.

Dr. I. Adolf Jones, professor Pathology in the Flint Medical College, of New Orleans University, is now acting physician in charge of the Sarah Goodridge Hospital and Nurse Training School, and is booked to reman in that capacity for six months, consequent upon the departure of D. H. J. Clements from the the post on a vacation.

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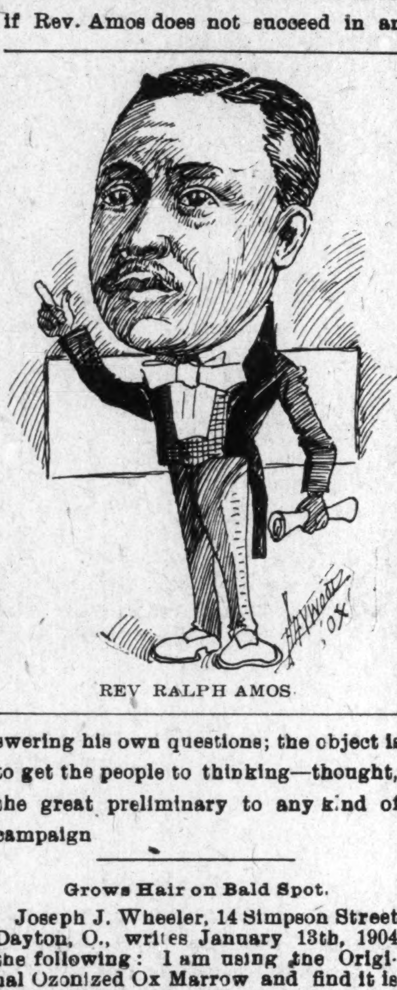
PENCILINGS.

By W. Milton Lewis, Indianapolis, Ind.

Mr. Joseph S. Cotter of Louisville, Ky., prominent in educational circles of that city and known for his literary ability, has sent me a little volume of his poems, Links of Friendship, and his play, "Caleb, the Degenerate," for which he has my unbounded thanks. But I will bear in mind the old admonition, "Beware of Greeks bearing gifts" and proceed to speak my opinion of Mr Cotter's effort, the price, presumed, of the gift. By the way, I know Mr Cotter personally, having met him in his home about three years ago. I was flattered at the attention he paid me along the line of literary effort. Perhaps it was my patience that was flattered, for I listened and looked. He showed me his work in some excellent journals, in books and some yet in manuscript. I have got patience to let; but, in justice to Mr. Cotter, he has merit. His work wears no race ear marks, but is minted from a highly capable mind, and will compare well enough with the best of the kind now being put out Quite a number of the poems in his "Links of Friendship" are gems; they are dedicated to his friends, relatives and literary personages. Among the latter are James Whitcomb Riley and Paul Lawrence Dunbar. They may well feel proud of his lines to them.

Mr. Cotter's "Caleb, the Degenerate," has already been treated by Sylvester Sussell, who expressed himself in disapproval very rudely which, in my judgment, was not good taste. Many of the lines and passages are fine, but he manifests impatience by jumping in medias res at the very beginning; it is there in a hurry. Here is the introduction to Act I—"Enter Olivia playing a violin. The Bishop follows quickly and seizes the bow." Now it is evident that something was doing right then and there. But more about the "Caleb." Anon.

Rev. Ralph Amos of Montrose, Ark., another great educator of his race, has a school situated in the black belt of Arkansas, where there is said to be ten Negroes to one white person. Rev. Amos puts in a good share of his time lecturing on the race question. He has chosen this very significant subject: "Why this Unrest, Why this Discrimination" It will not matter so much if Rev. Amos does not succeed in answering his own questions; the object is to get the people to thinking—thought, the great preliminary to any kind of campaign



REV RALPH AMOS.

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THE SOUTH'S PROBLEM A FARCE

There can be no doubt of the fact that race prejudice is each year becoming bolder and more exacting in its demands as to what shall be the civil, economic, political and social status of the colored citizen. The 13th, 14th and 15th amendments take higher ground as to the rights of the Negro than do the customs, ethics and religion of our nation. The public opinion of today does not stand for all which the amendments express, but it does tolerate many of the evasions and violations of the law which are in vogue. Until some great issue has aroused the nation public opinion represents comparatively but a few of the people, but when the whole people are stirred often that which has been passing as public opinion melts and disappears.

It would seem that the hope of the colored citizens rests upon what the entire people will think and demand when they are at last awakened to an interest. The religious opinion of the nasion, as manifested today, represents but a few, and might be very greatly altered if all of the Christian people were stirred to earnest interest. The moral sentiment of the nation, as expressed today, is not much shocked by the inhuman practices that prevail, but should every man, woman and child be stirred to an interest it is likely that the honor and humanity of the nation would be vindicated.

The present policy of those who are in control of affairs is to eliminate the Negro from political significance, to seggregate him socially, to render him inconsequential in civai affairs, and having thus hedged him in to encourage him to do his best to make his way by increasing his economic efficiency. To the Indians were alloted reservations of land, the Negro is allotted a reservation of activity as a citizen. The industrial reservation allotted to the Negro is not co-extensive with the industries of the country. No chance is to be afforded the Negro to attain to such positions as would render him dignified. independent and powerful enough to force his way into the preserves guarded by race prejudice. If the entire people were aroused to such an extent as to take an active interest in the destiny of the Negro the present policy would stand no chance of success, but so long as the whole people are not aroused the present policy will be pursued. The active and aggressive propagators of this policy are in the South, and their associates are men of the North who have interests of a financial character in the South.

It is as though a skillful gang of robbers should surround a man in the jostling crowd of a city street and, by laughter and jests, disguise their purpose and thus rob him unmolested by the hundreds who would have rushed to the rescue had they but known the truth. It is as though a set of roughs should set upon a wealthy man as he walked through the city streets, and by proclaiming him to be an escaped lunatic and themselves his humane keepers should kidnap him without interference. Thus the most appalling crime of man against man is being committed right under the eyes of Christian America. All pretence upon the part of the South as to anxiety about finding a solution of the race problem is a farce The South has decided upon the solution and has been very busy working it out for years. The chief aim of the South now is to so manage as to avoid interference from the North. If the people of this nation are not stirred to interest and activity within the next few years a curse far greater than that of slavery will have fastened upon the nation. The Negro is a human being, and a man, and a citizen, and there can be no peace and no prosperity in our country until justice is done.

J. M. HENDERSON, M. D.
Boston, Massachusetts.

Ruston News.

Ruston, La., Special—Cards announcing the marriage of Prof. T. C. Compton to Miss Dodie J. Block, took place Sunday, March 27th at the home of the bride's parents, in Washington, Ark. Prof. Compton is a graduate of Wiley University, Marshall, Tex., he is at present a member of the faculty of Ruston Normal and Academic Institute Miss Block, has charge of the Musical department in the same Institution. The colored people of Ruston, has a very criditable little paper, "The Colored Globe." Rev. M. R. Ivory, of the C. M. E church is editor. The Ruston Colored Minstrels entertained at the Masonic Hall wednesday night of last week March the 23. The social given at the residence of Mrs. J. L. Crossly, Saturday evening, March 19th, was quite a treat to the young people of town. The class in music under the management of Miss Travalee Johnson, of Arkadelphia, Ark., is progressing fine. Miss Johnson is arranging for a musical concert in the near future.

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U. B. F's. of Texas.

Houston, Texas, Special.—The Board of managers of the Mutual Aid Department of the United Brothers of Friendship, of Texas met in the office of the Grand Treasurer. The Board is composed of the Grand Master, W. F. Bledsoe, Marshall; the Grand Secretary, F. W. Gross, Victoria, the Grand Treasurer, Joseph Nichols, Houston. The secretary reported the following receipts for the quarter ending February 29th:

For widows and orphans	$4680.55
For Grand Lodge Taxes	810 79
For Sale of Supplies	257.86
For National Grand Lodge Taxes	188.21
For Home and Business Fund	60 00
For Interest on United States Bonds	35.00
Total Receipts for the Quarter	6032.41

The Board ordered that $2500 00 be paid to beneficiaries of the deceased members for the quarter. Thus far a partial payment of $150 00 has been made to the beneficiaries of each deceased member. Nearly $100,000 00 have been paid to widows and orphans within the last eleven years.

Hot Springs News.

Hot Springs, Ark., Special.—Bishop Evan Tyree, D. D. of the 8th Episcopal District of the A. M. E. church, delivered an excellent address on the subject, Truthfulness and Steadfastness to a large and intelligent audiences at Visitors Chapel A. M. E. church of this city last Friday night March 18th of which church Rev. P. W. Wade is pastor. Don't forget that the Mid Winter Fair is in progress at Visitor's Chapel A. M. E.

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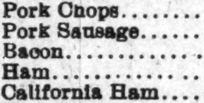

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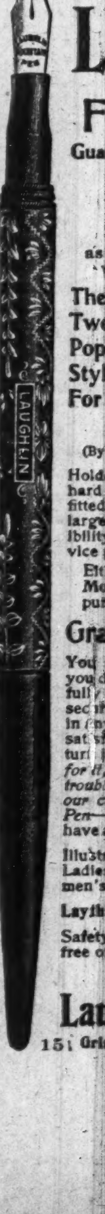

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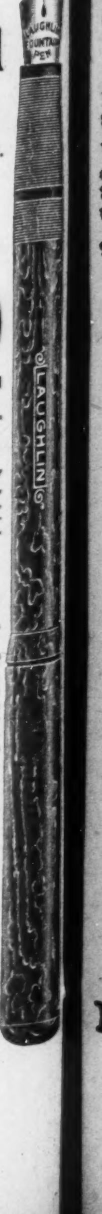

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The Waiter

Edited By
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THE WAITER'S BALL.

They are off. They are off. The waiters are off.
Where are they going? you may ask with a laugh.
'Twill not be in June, 'twill not be in May,
But wait just a minute and I'll name the day,
On the 14th of April the waiters of all
The great city of Columbus at the City Hall
Will give their grand ball, and you may rest assured
The best of order that can be secured
Will be kept by Ben Andrews, Ed. Washington and Tom Means,
And "Old" Alex. Glives will serve ' pork and beans."
So come one, come all, to the waiter's ball.
The floor will be waxed, but be sure not to fall
Thursday, April 14th. Don't forget the date.
Come early, avoid the rush—25c the rate.

Columbus, O. —George W. Meils.

Alfred Anderson has succeeded W. Gooman at Newell's Hotel, Pittsburg, Pa.

Mr. Benson has succeeded Mr. James Shelton at the Union Station, Pittsburg, Pa.

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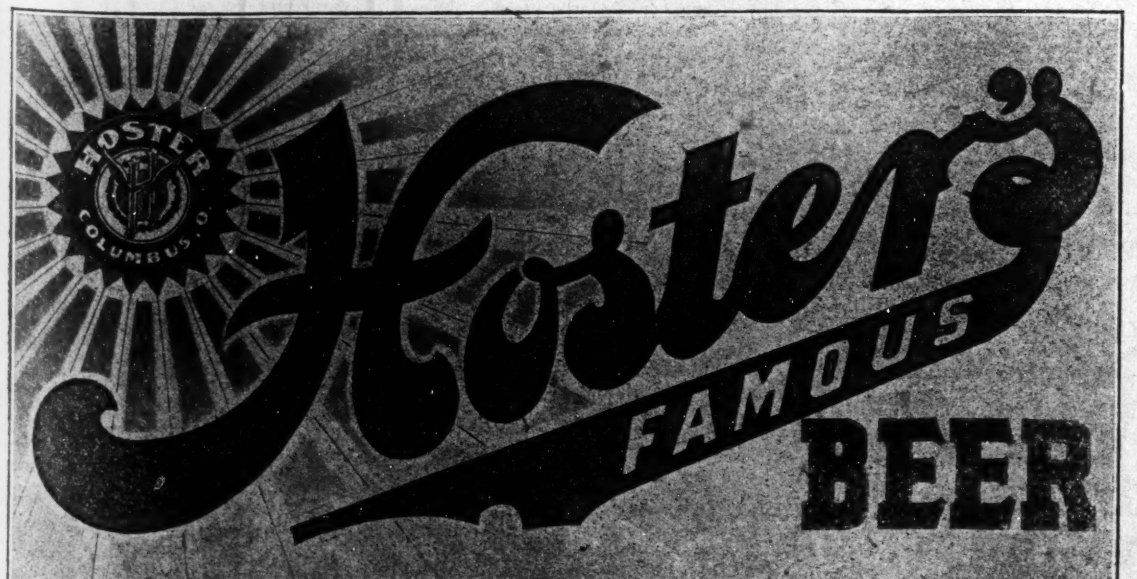

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W. R. Harris of Cleveland, O, a well-known headwaiter, is in Chicago, Ill., prospecting, we presume.

In the reminiscences, elsewhere, the editor respectfully dedicates an article to Mr. Tom Green of San Antonio, Tex.

William Rice has been promoted to a second waiter's position by Headwaiter J. M. Butler at the Marlborough House, Atlantic City, N. J.

E W. Harper, vice-president of the Head and Sidewaiters' Association, is visiting F. P. Thompson at St. Augustine, Fla. Mr. Harper returns to the Cataract-International Hotel at Niagara Falls, N. Y, this season.

A reader writes us for the address of A. E. Jenkins, formerly with Kansas City hotels. When last heard from Mr. Jenkins was at the Hotel McKinley, Canton, O. Mr. Jenkins has been keeping rather close the last year or so.

The Kohlsaat Company opened a large lunch room in Chicago recently and put in ninety girls. This is the company that employed colored boys until the strike. The union has certainly put the colored waiters of Chicago on the bum.

R. T. Trusty, who was fourth waiter at the new Breakers Hotel at Palm Beach, Fla., has returned to his home, Atlantic City, accompanied by Mrs. Trusty. Mr. Trusty will again be in charge of the dining room at the Chester Inn, Atlantic City, N. J.

The Caterers' Club of Philadelphia, Pa., held its annual election recently which resulted as follows: C. S. Massey, president; A. F. Woodlyn, first vice-president; W. H. Amos, second vice-president; W. A Miller, secretary; W B. Morris, assistant secretary; O. Simpson, treasurer.

REMINISCENCES OF AN EX-HEADWAITER.

BY W. F. COZART.

GREEN WAS GREEN.

Tom Green was a green waiter and it required no expert to arrive at this conclusion, for Tom's every action plainly indicated this fact. Therefore when he was instructed to use tureens for soup, individual silver butter pats, fish knife and fork for fish and service plate under fish plate, with the necessary condiments on the side, poor Tom understood about as much what was said to him as he would have understood a lecture on mental philosophy.

The headwaiter readily saw that Tom could not fill the bill, but decided to allow him to remain one meal and look, just to see how the thing was really done.

FEEDING THE EAGLE

Several of the old waiters began to fix up a practical joke on the new waiter. Finally it was decided that Tom should feed the eagle, "Black Diamond." One of the leaders of the conspiracy gave Tom a little side talk and assured him that he would be a good waiter in a few days. "Of course," he said, "we all had to learn; all you have to do is to watch and see how the other waiters do and always do whatever they tell you to do." Just about this time "Red," another member of the gang, informed Tom that it was part of a new waiter's duty to feed the eagle. "All right," said Tom, "where is he and what does you feed him on? Won't he hurt me?" and many other questions. After being told that the eagle was harmless and that he was fed on stale bread soaked in water, and that he would be found on the roof. Tom started out on his mission with a big pan under his arm which contained the bread and water. As Tom disappeared through the skylight, the other waiters with more employes were falling over each other with laughter.

Tom came back much disappointed and rushed into the dining room with pan under his arm and told the headwaiter that he could not find the "dog-gone" eagle.

"BIG SIX" IN A BAD FIX.

Some years ago I was employed as headwaiter at a big summer resort where we used colored waiters. Owing to the fact that the house was located near a big city, it was invariably overrun with guests every Sunday, which made it necessary for me to employ extra waiters.

On one occasion we expected an unusually large crowd, which, of course, required extra waiters. Among the waiters employed for the big rush was a big, black, giant-looking fellow with a set of ivory white teeth, generally known among his associates as "Big Six."

"Big Six" looked to be very much out of his place in a dining room, and, as I sized him up, it occurred to me that it was a shame, yes, "a measly shame" to thus rob the farmers out of such a good "hand." However, following the adage that a drowning man will catch at a straw, I placed "Big Six" at a table that was much in harmony with his size.

Now, the dining doors had been opened about half an hour, and the dining room was pretty well filled, except the ten chair table where "Big Six" stood.

Just here the members of one of the rival base ball teams came in and, of course. I seated them at "Big Six's table, he, taking their order, departed for the kitchen. Every waiter in the room was now busy, and I was unable to send "Big Six" any assistance, although desirous of doing so.

The day was a hot one and, as usual, the guests were impatient, especially the base ball team, as they were to play at 3 p m.

"The fifty minutes that "Big Six" spent in the kitchen were very anxious ones to me, and when, at last, I did spy him coming with his tray in both hands raised high above his head, with dinner enough seemingly to feed a regiment, I breathed a sigh of relief.

"Evidently "Big Six" had suffered intensely from the heat as his collar and shirt had gone a glimmering and drops of perspiration fell from his face like rain. On reaching the table "Big Six" set the tray, dishes and all, in the center of the table, and with his right hand swept the sweat from his face, gave a low whistle, and said, "Here's yer dinner, white folks, help yer-se'fs—kase I'se gwine."

AN AUTOMATIC WINK.

It was while in charge of a large dining room at one of the Hot Springs hotels, I had in my employ a waiter known as "Brox" a name derived presumably from the fact that he had been a victim of small pox, sometime previous, which left the imprints in his face.

One of "Brox's" greatest faults was that he was self-conceited and thought he was beautiful, and ignorant enough to believe that "all the ladies was stuck on him," as he put it.

One day while serving a newly arrived lady guest "Brox" made some remark to which the lady smiled and gave him a straight look in the face, and at the same time her left eye, which was affected with a nervous disease, gave a quick wink, and "Brox" felt a fifty-pound lump rise up in his bosom

In a short while the lady left the table and went directly to her room; not, however, before "Brox" caught sight of her room key. He slips up the back stairway and knocked on the door of room 30. The lady opened the door and said, "Well, what is it?" "Brox" stood grinning, and she again asked his mission. Then he gave a low chuckle and said "I's de one you winked at in de dinin' room."

Salt Lake City, Utah, Notes.

A few first class a la carte or American plan colored waiters, clean and tidy in appearance and intelligent—none but those can stand fair and good treatment on their merits of work—can find work at the Knutsford by addressing Thos. H. Frame, headwaiter. We are expecting to open a swell cafe about July, and I want to be in line for about five or six nice boys.

The lengthy report sent out by the Associate Press telling of the royal reception given Dr. Booker T. Washington by the leading citizens of both races of Washington, D. C., recently must to have sent cold chills down the spinal cords of Messrs. Trotter, Cromwell, Morris, et al Mr. Washington was entertained by congressmen, senators, embassadors, leading white citizens and their wives. At night he delivered an address at the Metropolitan A. M. E. church to an overflowing audience On this occasion Mr. Washington plainly demonstrated that he had been and is still the champion of the every rights of his people

Some time ago the editor of this department commenced the "Waiter's School" in The Freeman, in which he is endeavoring to teach the art of letter writing. Having received many letters containing interesting information so poorly written I decided to give a few lessons along that line. Just to show how poorly many of these letters are written I herewith reproduce a letter recently received, but shall not expose the identity of the writer:

"Capital city employment agency
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French Lick News.

French Lick, Ind., Special.—The Baptist church will hold its Anniversary services Sunday. Dr. Purce of State University, Louisville, Ky., and Rev. Hammonds, also of that city will be present. All are invited.

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Sol Pitman has recovered and is again at his post.

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Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Boarde, and Mr. and Mrs. John Cook and son, will spend the season here.

Mr. Ed. Gaither of Cincinnati, is here for a ten days' course of the waters.

Mrs. Mack Larter has gone to Bedford for a month's rest.

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We desire to say that Grant S. Neal formerly connected with The Freeman as solicitor, is no longer serving in that capacity. Obligations contracted by him will not be honored by us.

KILLED THIRTEEN NEGROES.

The unlawful killing of thirteen Negroes in Arkansas by mobs within the last few days ought to be the inglorious ending of the reign of mob law that has caused the country to become a civil stench in the nostrils of that higher civilization that it also claims heir to. The anti-Negro extremists will say that through death is the way to life and that terror must be struck to the Negroes' callous hearts before they realize the extent of their sinning, and so forth. It will be admitted that good has followed terrible examples, but no one is deceived by the present exhibitions of blood. The crime, rape, is not being alleged, the thing, we are told, that is at the bottom of the whole business. Mr. Richardson, congressman of Alabama, in the House, last Tuesday, said in cheerful ignorance, that lynching would cease when raping ceased. "Why don't it stop now?" Are all subsequent misdemeanors predicated on a common antecedent, rape? Such ingenious reckoning! The Negroes are not raping, Mr. Richardson, at this period, and never did very much of it in the busiest periods.

Jails and prison houses are established for punishing all manner of criminals, also the gallows; no crime can outgrow the possible penalty ordained and possibly executed by the courts and authorities. Arkansas and her red-handed assassins need an education quite as much as those they seek to educate. They, after premeditation and warning, amid tears and prayers, seek to inflict a punishment that they know will be inflicted by the courts if permitted to do so. Their crime, according to the statutes of most States, is murder of the first degree, punishable by death. They cannot escape condemnation somewhere or else the whole scheme of justice and law is a libel and a lie, and man has no recourse except in death. The striking down of one is the death blow given to all when the one is struck down through prejudice, malice, jealousy, envy, which is so often the case. The Christian religion itself will be uprooted in the uprooting of the Negro along the lines now so generally adhered to. Outward conformity may yet continue its parade of mockery, but the Christ spirit will go—a whited sepulchre.

A campaign of education is necessary to save unto country, man and God. Eight millions of people are a too considerable portion of the country to be maltreated by its ruffianism. The respectable, conserving, law-abiding element will arouse themselves or prove but aids and abettors to those who are bringing about an unheard of condition. Eight millions cannot be held under ban forever.

THE LILY WHITES OF LOUISIANA.

If the expressed intentions of the two Republican factions of the State of Louisiana are carried out that State will have two sets of delegates clamoring for admission to the Republican National Convention at Chicago as it did at Philadelphia in 1900 The wing of the party South known as the "Lily Whites" has already met in convention, named a State ticket and selected delegates, all without the advice or consent of a single colored man or even a white man who is connected with what is known as the "Black and Tans." In 1900, when the "Lily Whites" were seated at Philadelphia, they promised the "regulars" that they would be extremely good to them, insisting that they need not have any fears, but it looks as if they were in for keeps and that it was the play.

The regulars insist that they will be heard thundering at the gate of the Chicago convention with a delegation of their own selecting, and that it is implacable war from now on; they feel that the new movement is a rump proceeding; they will not stand for it. It is said that they relied on the influence of the late Senator Hanna to pull them through, and consequently feel keenly the effect of and lament his death.

The regulars are already contesting and protesting against what they feel to be a violent usurpation on the part of "Lily Whites." A formidable campaign is on, and the North is being flooded with literature asking assistance against the high handedism of the star chambered few that dare to read men out of the party on the color score and white men because of affiliation.

The convention will find something doing when the time comes, and it may say "A plague on both of your houses," but it is very apt to recognize that what is, is and accord the most active—the necessary credentials—since politics does not seek to find the truth, but peace through the method most expedient. The "Black and Tan's" cry for justice will be of long duration if they fail to seize the opportunity at home in securing it for themselves.

It is evident that the "Lily White" movement is the but of the child of the great race struggle and will have to be dealt with in about the same manner. The regulars, doubtless, are right and regular, but we are fearful that might makes regularity very often and especially in politics, even where the races are not concerned. As the Honorable Supreme Court would say, "We are without jurisdiction," and, from the nature of the case, would hardly care to assume it if we had it. But as to the regulars, "Our hopes and fears are all with thee."

Bishop W. B. Derrick of the A. M. E. church has at last joined the Bishop Turner propaganda that has in mind Africa as an asylum for the Negroes of America. He is weary and disgusted and wants to free himself from a country where a Negro has but few rights that a white man is bound to respect. We are not enthusiastic about Africa, and for very good and excellent reasons. The Negro civilly is in heaven in America as compared with Africa, excepting Liberia, the Negro Republic, which is not measuring up to its opportunity. The majority of the whites are well meaning toward the Negroes; the South wants them; it only objects at association along social lines; it gives plenty work, plenty freedom, but a wide social berth. Would it be bettered in Africa?

We suffer here and there in America, and for which we should not too seriously lament; we are but paying the price of recently freedmen, civilized men. The route from barbarism and paganism to the brighter days of Christianity and higher civilization is strewn with sacrifices all along the way; it is the story of all nations. Death and destruction has been the penalty, and the law will not be reversed, it seems, in our favor. It is but natural and right to protest as become men enthroned with right minds that the yoke does not become unbearable, but we have great reasons for congratulations.

Our past condition has not been so roseate either in Africa or America. Our immediate past has been more auspicious, but on the whole we stand a thousand times removed from the first condition of the races as they were first known. Africa is gobbled up, parcelled out, and already schemes are being put in motion to keep the Negro very near the earth by the mighty nations that are mightily equipped. What is to be done? Manhood rebels, but only recently; the sluggish Negro nature has abated too long. The recent awakening is wholesome and assuring, but things cannot be done in a day. The wild, curious, curosity nature is being tamed out by hardships. The gaud and bead period has entailed its legacy of woes; manifest in show and parade which is repugnant to the notions of those about us. The trait is racial and must be curtailed. Humility of a beneficial kind is missing. They are the things that are so dangerous to speak about—the inordinate desire to shine. It is in Africa; it is here, and worth your life to preach it. Cut it out; it will help. Africa has her troubles, and which will grow until hell is dwarfed in comparison.

The Civic Improvement League is an organization by a number of public spirited white citizens, who will watch out for the general beauty of the city. The league asks for co-operation on part of all the citizens, who are expected to use every effort in making their home premises as attractive and inviting as possible. We take pleasure in calling the attention of our own people to the work, which meas so much in presenting the agreeable to the sight, and which is no small factor in promoting health as well as bringing peace to the mind. "A thing of beauty is a joy forever." The poet was true, and the expression lives because it is true. The poor man may not possess, in name, the beautiful park-like yards and homes seen on our best streets but if they conceive beauty aright they may possess them in spirit. Beautifying their own will lead up to the right appreciation of beauty, for beauty's sake; hence contentment.

Money can only separate us from comfort. All else that the rich possess, that is free to sight, is enjoyed in common. The love of the beautiful, as proposed by the league, will lessen the eye of envy that it leads not to socialism of the meaner sort—the coveting spirit.

Examinations for persons who desire to compete for the Rhodes scholarships at Oxford University, England, as provided for under the will of the late Cecil Rhodes, will be held in each of the States on April 13th. Persons desirous of getting information regarding the examinations should apply to the President of the University of their State. In those States where there is a larger University than the State institution as, for instance, Chicago University in Illinois, persons will make their applications to the president of the larger University.

Easter Day is set aside in the Baptist churches as a rally day in the behalf of foreign missions. Dr. L. G. Jordan, the secretary, is on the scene in Africa, leaving the work at home with Dr. John H. Frank, chairman of board, who expects liberal contributions on the part of the churches and the friends to Africa. Sunday, April 3d, is the day. Foreign Mission office, Rev. L. G. Jordan, D. D, 726 W. Walnut street.

Perhaps Hon. Harry Smith, the colored legislator of Ohio, now also sees that a mob does not ask the price. Remedy, Mr. Smith, and not penalty in some matters. The price in some conditions would be eagerly paid. Penalties do act as deterrents, but not in all cases. Mobs can't reflect unless you deal with the members as murderers.

Mr. J. B. Rush, lawyer, recently of DesMoines, Iowa, has located in this city, where he will practice at his profession. Mr. Rush was here some years ago, but since that time he has practiced with success in two other locations, DesMoines being one of them. He has energy and push, and from indications he will not be long jumping in favor.

The colored people of San Antonio, Texas, declare that they will walk rather than patronize the jim crow street cars. A mass meeting, over which Dr. J. S. Cameron presided, was recently held which passed resolutions to that effect. They are to be congratulated for this stand they are making.

The great Kuropatkin has arrived on the scene of war between the Japanese and the Russians, and to the intense delight of the Russians who are thankful for anything that is a relief from the monotony of defeat.

The Taborian Advocate is a new publication of Franklin, Tenn.; it is in the interest of the Knights and Daughters of Tabor, an order which is strong in many sections of the country.

The "Lily Whites" and "Black and Tans" of Louisiana have had their preliminary skirmish; the "Lily Whites" drew first blood, but the "Black and Tans" are serving notice that the engagement will be opened in Chicago.

The management of the Florida Sentinel deserves commendation for the very excellent issue of recent date in celebrating the tenth year of that paper's existence. Editor Lewey has got the habit of doing extraordinary things.

R. T. Berry, editor of the Kentucky Reporter, and W. D. Johnson, editor of the Kentucky Standard, announce themselves as candidates for delegates-at-large to the National Republican Convention at Chicago, June 21.

These are troublesome times for the Negroes in America, but peace and prosperity is still probable, and most assuredly possible. Honest endeavor is necessary at this juncture and no political huckstering.

The "Lily Whites" of Louisiana declared in its platform, in substance. that the white man was heir to the earth, the sun, moon and stars with a mechanic's lean on those under the process of erection.

"Maryland, oh, my Maryland!" what have you done to "Joe Anderson, my Joe." James Crow cars and such simply to be proper, you know.

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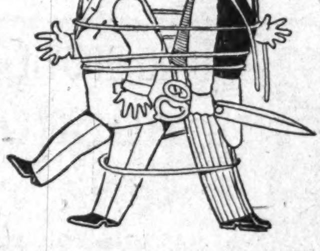

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Believing and aiming at these things, it is but natural for us, in developing our holdings, along with our big brother (the white man) in the Muskogee oil field, to encourage the race everywhere to take stock in our Oil and Gas Company and have placed the stock within the reach of all.

In the carrying out of these plans, we called a mass meeting of our citizens in a prominent church in this city and upon investigation found that the colored people owned the best part of the Muskogee oil field. We then immediately organized a company with 34 charter members and in five minutes enough stock was subscribed to sink well No. 1. We immediately let a contract for sinking five wells. All of our machinery is on the ground, one derrick is up, and we hope to bring in the first Negro gusher the first day of April, 1904.

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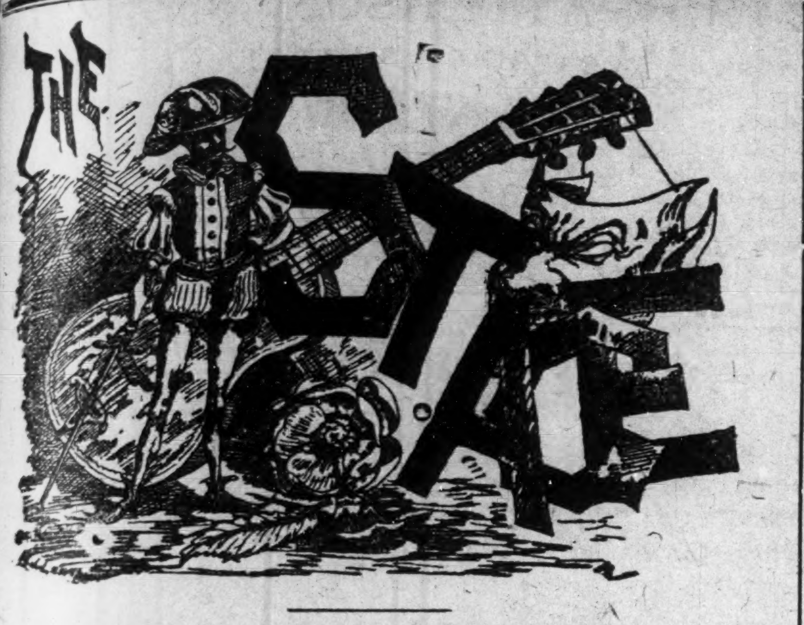

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Tommy Carter of the Transalantic Burlesques filling an engagement at a local house was a pleasant Freeman caller this week.

Augustus Steven, of Williams & Stevens, would like to know Johnnie Scott's address. Write me in care of the Freeman, Indianapolis, Ind.

Charles McCleldon, the Kansas Sunflower, is improving from an attack of typhoid fever, and sends his best regards to Desdunes & Harris, A. Copeland and Jerry Barnes. Those songs were all right, Jerry.

Floyd Cooper of the Billy Kersands Minstrels and special correspondent of The Freeman was married recently to Miss Angie Thurman a society belle of of Mount Vernon, Ind. The happy event occurred at Owensboro, Ky.

The people with Coontown 400 are Copes and Clark Buttercup Lacals Charcoal and Burns, Billy Smith, Payne sisters Ella and Mamie Wells and Wells. Holden Sister Lizzie Bailey and Will Carington, now playing on night stands, Sheedy Byron Theatre, New Bedford, Mass., week of April 11, Harry A. Brown Mgr.

J. Turner Wall has taken up his old line, comedian and is making them yell nightly, week of 7th to 14th at Sioux City, Iowa, at the Gem Theatre, week of 21st, Joplin, Mo. At the Tryangle Theatre, with six weeks on the crystal circuit to follow opening Denver, Colo., week of 28th. Regards to friends. Queen Dora, is resting up in Wyoming until fall, with friends. Hello Detitts.

W. L. McMullen writes:—Mr. George Legree, friend and partner, died on the 18th, and was buried on the 20th. Mr. Legree was 34 year old and a member of Odd Fellow Lodge and had a policy in Mutial Aid. He leaves a wife, mother and four bright boys. He was liked by every one that knew him Three hundred of his lodge members were present at his funeral. Mr. Mathew Pollard is managing the Capitol City Quartette which expects to visit Birmingham, this summer with McMullen's Co, "Mid-Night After Dark."

Mr. Woodey is making a hit singing, "She rests by the Swanee River." Mr. Charley Lee is the best Basso Profundo in the south according to age. Hello, Wm. Arnett, Wm. Walls, Will Cheatham, C. W. BeBee, Buddie Glenn and all friends in and out of the profession.

The Two Jolly Prices—Edward C. and Ludell—write that they have just closed a 10 weeks solid engagement in Vaudeville. Mr. Price says: "Our act is going fine. After a few return dates being made in this 10 weeks booking of which the last week is a return date at the Feffin's Theatre, week of March 27," we will take a few days rest at home with my mother in Chicago and then to St. Louis to remain for an indefinite booking. Regards to all friends in and out of the profession.

Notes from the New Orleans Minstrels.—Our show did the business on the return date at Shreverort, Houston and Galveston, Tex. Their large tent refused to hold us. At the two last named places, the Company was banqueted. I had almost forgotten to mention Beamont, Texas, where we had to play a return engagement and where the boys had the best time this year. Some of the company have returned to Beaumont twice since, and are talking of going back this week. One of our sketch teams know as Watts and Lane married in Jasper, Tex., March 16th, and they will now be known as The Watts. Mr. Watts is also a K. of P, and we have 20 of them in our company so you can amagine the time given. Every body is well except the porter, Harvey. Williams and Stevens are getting ready to spring another new one on you. Regards to all.

Notes from Baynard and Whitney's Famous Troubadours.—The company is rapidly rounding into shape for what promises to be our most successful season under canvas We have purchased a new tent from M. R Kunkely with a seating capacity for 2,500 people. Many new features will be added to the interior decorations which will greatly enhance the beauty and transform the tent to a city Theatre. We have been most unfortunate in the loss by death of two members of our band. Wm. Flamer, leader, and Oscar Moore, Tuba. The band this season will be under the leadership of Louis Perryman, assisted by Miss Nettie Taylor, cornedist. The show will make week, stands, with complete change of program nightly, making it the only colored repertoir show on the road. Some of the people already signed are: Emma A. Baynard Nettie Taylor, Louis Perryman, Chas. Bongia, George Bryant, Chester A. Hawkes, Montrose Douglass, Clemo Harris, James Flamer, Benton Toledo, Mabel Green, Lelia Burley, Sadie Reeves and Belle Micheal. Whitney sends regards to Clarence Powell.

Notes from Carter B. Swan's Big Show —The show is doing good business and all are well. Mr. Higganbothem has accomplished his new coonsong which is very catchy. Lookout for him. Latimore Robinson, the man in rags, is making a big hit singing "Rags, Any rags to-day." Mable Jones, the sweet contralto singer, takes the house by storms singing "Please Mamma Buy Me A Baby" and When the Blue skies turn to Gold," Kid Terry, the buck and wing dancer takes the house by storm. Isabella Francis is still hitting them hard singing "Kinder Hum Over Old Sweet Home to me' Billy Clark, the singing comedian, is among the number. Flozo Harris the sweet soprano is cleaning up singing "Dinah Lee," and is the people's favorite in her novelty contortion act and keeps them all a wondering. She is preparing an entirely new act with Hi Henry Hunt which will be a novelty for the people and will be known as Harris and Hunt. While in Orangeburg, week of the 18th, Flozo Harris and Isabella Francis were entertained by Thomas Cade, High Wire artist and Mr. Tom Dixon Coronet soloist also Miss Mable Jones.

Beryl Hope, one of the best emotional actresses who appears in theatres of popular prices, comes to the Park next Monday in the elaborate scenic production, "For Her Children's Sake." It is a play that is based upon circus life, some of its atmosphere being in the saw dust ring, and it tells of the devotion of a young woman, who, after an unfortunate marriage, turns her attention to rearing her children while she is a horseback rider in a circus. Miss Hope is supported by a talented company.

"A Hot Old time," made famous by John and Emma Ray will be the Park's bill beginning next Thursday. The production is now the property of Gus Hill and since it was seen here it has been so thoroughly overhauled that it is asserted, Indianapolis people will hardly recognize it. This musical show was always known for its resplendent ensembles, pretty girls and its host of comedians and it is said to be stronger and more pretentious than ever. The principal comedians are Eddie Weston, Lottie Symonds, John McMahon, Josie Davis and Gussie Nelson. This will be one of the largest shows of its kind which will be seen at the Park during the rest of the season.

ADDRESS TO SONG PUBLISHERS.

BY SYLVESTER RUSSELL.

Dating back from the publication of a song called "Nigger, Nigger, Never Die," which was significantly enough--sung in the most prominent minstrel company in America, proving a "frost," I have found it quite necessary to call the attention of song publishers to the fact that all nations of the earth are now being represented in the popular song publishing business, and the time is here when each race of people whose phase of life is set to music, is looking eagerly at the publishers to see what advantage they are permitting song writers to take of the caricature of their race.

They are interested to see whether it is pure fun or common insult.

William Jerome, a very prolific writer, who composed such a beautiful compliment to the Irish race as "Bedelia," is the man whose later production of a coon song called "Why Don't You Go, Go, Go?" inspired me to write this article.

Mr. Jerome has used the word "common nigger" in his song.

In taking exception to this low degrading word, which does not apply to the Negro race at all, I wish to remind the popular intelligent song publishers of America, and especially New York City, where intelligence is "above all things," that the Irish race of people are more sensitive than any other race, and for this reason their race has been treated with great precaution by the modern song writers of to-day. The publishers also, many of them Hebrews, take great care that the word "Sheenee" does not go to press. The Italians are also favored, and the word "dago" is prohibited. The Germans, who are not quite so particular as other races, admit the word "Dutch," which is a short name for the Hollanders. Recently we had a Negro song writer in Chicago who wrote a song with the word "nigger" in it, but the actors of his race will never sing it. Furthermore, we admit that he is just as ignorant as his white brothers.

The modern school of distinguished educated colored song writers, without complaint, have set a new example, and all the most intelligent singers in America are now singing their songs. Among these writers are Bob Cole, Rosamond Johnson, Sidney Perrin, Billy Johnson, Nathan Bivins, Al. Johns, Shephard Edmonds, Will Hamer, Will Tobias, McPherson, Brymn and others. The sum and substance of this matter is this:

The Negro race has no objections to the word "coon" and no objections to the word "darkey." We care nothing for the words black, colored or Negro, but we do object to the word "nigger."

We are a race which is continually insulted by the common people of the world without complaint. Why should not the word "nigger" be abolished?

I will remind all concerned of the fact that this word has appeared in late songs mostly from the pens of Irish and Jewish writers.

As an ignorant Negro I must further remind you all of two racial facts in the history of these two races. The American Jews have suffered from American prejudice. The successful Jews, regardless of this fact, are divided into a sort of Romanism, but two-thirds of the Jews, happily, are not affected with race prejudice.

The Irish, as is shown by their daily history, is the most prejudiced race of all toward a black man. In the North the word "nigger" comes almost exclusively from this race of children, taught to them in their homes and through the popular songs.

How sad, when we think that under these conditions, the men who write songs will continue to teach the low element of the world to call us "nigger."

Colored song writers have never insulted any of the white races. Why, then, should the song publishers accept of manuscript that would insult the colored race?

The best classes of cultivated white people of the North do not appreciate the word "nigger." The ignorant "stink-weed" variety performer who thinks he pleases in forcing this word upon the public is very much mistaken Not long ago, in the columns of The Freeman, there appeared a write-up from a well-known publisher, speaking of the coon songs as "nigger songs." I wish to inform this publisher and all other advanced, respectable music publishers that the colored people regard this word as an insult and an injustice to their race.

This mild sort of advice comes from a man who continually mingles with the people of the world of every station in life, and his opinion is endorsed by the most intelligent element of both classes.

This address is not to assail, but to praise, if possible, and remind people of what they have not thought about. Again, this address is not to take the publishers to task, but to beg them not to allow song writers to submit matter that will insult any race or creed.

There is no humor in the word "common nigger." The few people who enjoy the word belong to the slums of the earth.

If song publishers are catering to the slums, or rather allow song writers to insult decency to please the slums, we are indeed becoming degenerated.

Rev. Dr. Charles Parkhurst, a white New York minister, took a trip down South to discover that the poor ignorant colored people call each other "nigger." Parkhurst forgot this word was taught them by their white fathers and their masters. If he had been listening for something good he would not have missed hearing those happy original songs sent from the angels of heaven to the sons of slaves to cheer "his" sin sick soul. They do not include the word "nigger" in their own original, wild songs of the slavonic wilderness, and the only time they use it in a song is where some white man had wrote it.

A white man wrote "Some people say that a nigger won't steal." He lied when he wrote it. In those days his ignorance was applauded. In these days of intelligence we abhor it. The college bred people of the North, both black and white, is the great teaching element. The South must be eventually converted to their teaching. I say, then, if the song publishers are intelligent, and I presume most of them are, there will be a revelation. Its about most time to get wise! It may be hard for white music publishers and white song writers to learn from a colored critic and be compelled to also follow after advanced colored song writers to gasp and grasp for new ideas and modern easy problems they should have solved long ago. But such has always been the case since the days of slavery. The presidents and all the great politicians of the period got their best instructions from the silent council of some black man whose mother-wit outreached a desire for notoriety and whose good free thinking, void of deceit, has advanced many a white man to the high steeple of false earned fame, leaving his black advisor to die unknown. And so it is, and so it has been since slavery. But the musical and educated children of such black men as the one I have described are here. We do not ask an ignorant publisher or an ignorant song writer to take us seriously; we want them to laugh out ha! ha! so the world may see their ignorance. We know that all intelligent ones will notice it. Why, the Irish boys told me to my face that they did not like the song, "The Mick Who Threw the Brick," so now it is time for us to tell every race under the sun, just for fun, that we do not care for any more ignorant display of the word "nigger" from chumps of song writers, unfair publishers or crusty stage performers. All we want is fair play. Let us pray. Will all the good. kind, intelligent song publishers in America join with us in prayer? We will henceforth watch the issue of all your new songs to test your sincerity and to see if you are square.

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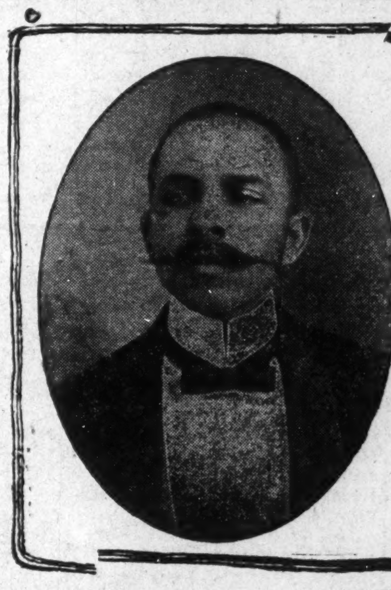

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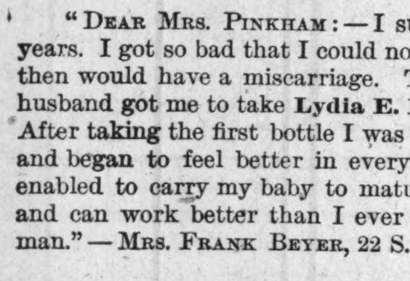

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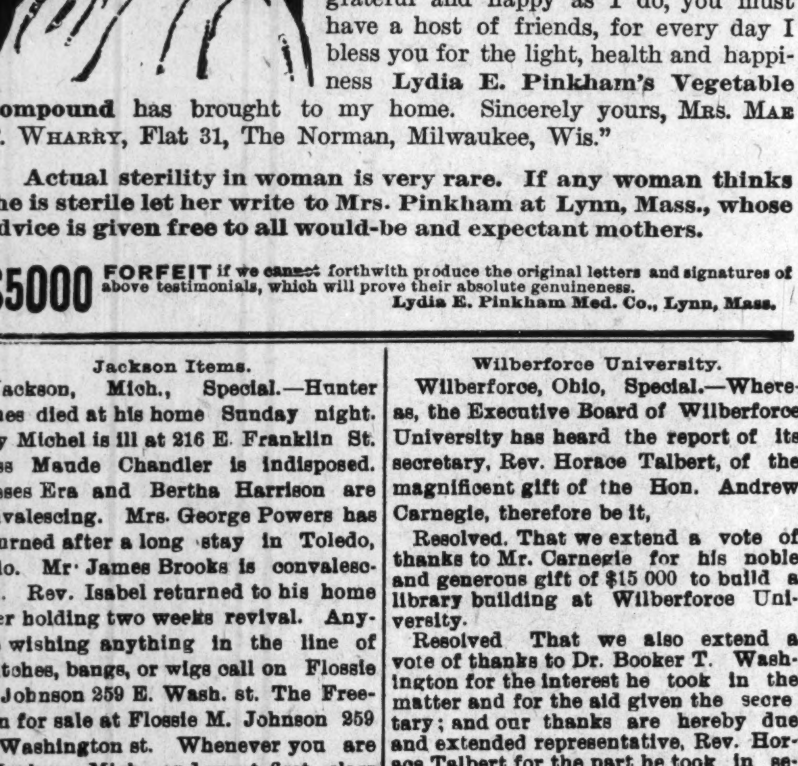

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Washington, D. C., Specials.—Seldom does it occur that so many surprises and sensations of a national character are crowded together in the events of one week as the history of the week just closed reveals. Fast upon the heels of the conviction and sentence of Machen, Lorenz, Groff & Co., came the highly sensational document from the post office department involving the name of almost every senator and representative in congress, irrespective of party. This document stirred up a hornet's nest in the house of representatives, the equal of which has not been witnessed since the days of the early seventies, when there was much scandal about railroad jobbing and salary grabbing. After all it has been found that there was no wrong doing by any member in either branch of congress and some of the members went so far as to regard the mention of their names as a decoration in connection with the postal department sensation, as it showed that they had been earnest in behalf of their constituents.

Ohio, nearly always the storm centre of Republican politics, has held the middle of the stage during the past week. The burning of the Negro settlement at Springfield and the tardy action of Governor Herrick in calling out the state militia to quell the mob, and the Dick, Herrick, Foraker row over the distribution of federal patronage have all caused big sensations at the national capital, where the political atmosphere is now overcharged with sulphuric currents.

The success of William Randolph Hearst in routing the old-time Democrats in the ancient commonwealth of Rhode Island, and the victory of Hill over Murphy in the state of New York have conspired to heighten the political tension in Washington, which is already at the breaking point.

Representative William Alden Smith, of Michigan, gave a dramatic cast to the scene in the house of representatives when commenting on the postal inquiry, in a moment of excitement he nominated "Uncle" Joe Cannon, speaker of the house of representatives, for the presidency of the Republican ticket for 1904. Some say the action of Mr. Smith is indicative of what will happen at Chicago in June. Be that as it may, Theodore Roosevelt will be renominated and elected to the presidency in the coming contest.

Cardinal Gibbons, the highest representative of the Roman Catholic Church in America, has again declared himself in unmistakable terms against the jim crow car law. The Cardinal has not spoken ex cathedra, but his advice to Catholics will have the same effect as an official proclamation. He is in earnest and he takes pains to let it be known.

The colored people of the District are somewhat disturbed over certain passages in the report of Mr. P. M. Hughes, director of high schools, relative to the course of study for the colored high school. The passages which have caused the uneasness are as follows: "In the M street high schhol, which has heretofore followed the scheme of work laid down for the other high schools, certain changes have been made. It was early apparent that the pupils of that school needed a better grounding in certain lines in order to profitably do the advance work of the other high schools With this in mind modifications were made in the English and algebra requirements of the first year with satisfactory results. A further revision and modification of some of the other lines ought to, and I believe will, result in very desirable improvement. Many of the colleges of the country have, recently been increasing their requirements for entrance. This is a step, which, however desirable it may be from the high school position." it is not altogether clear what is meant by the language quoted above, but the colored people infer that a change of the course of study is contemplated in the colored high school, and this belief has caused alarm among them for the reason that they think, or seem to think, that the standard of the school will be lowered by a change of the curriculum. We hope not, however, and, perhaps, after all, Mr. Hughes is aiming to bring about what he conceives to be a more evenly balanced course, although it should not prepare for college.

Prof. W. E. B DuBois of Atlanta University will lecture at the M street High School on Friday evening, March 25, on the subject: "Heredity and Public Schools."

A great deal of interest was manifested at the meeting of Bethel Literary on Tuesday evening of last week when Mr. L M. Hershaw delivered an address on the subject: "From Dred Scott to Jackson W. Giles" Mr. Hershaw gave a succinct statment of the decisions of the supreme court respecting the rights of the colored people, showing that the tendency of the court has always been to the effect that the Negro has no rights that white men are bound to respect. His address gave evidence of hard study and a great deal of research and he made out a strong case of the wrongs of the Negro in the United States. We are inclined to the opinion that he was rather pessimistic in his view of the final adjustment of things when the rights of colored men are involved.

Rev. Dean Richmond Babbitt, LL D., rector of Epiphany P. E. church Brooklyn N. Y., and chairman of the permanent commission on America's Race Problem,, National Sociological Society, in an interview in the Brooklyn Times of the 9th inst. in speaking on mob violence said; that bullets are the only things with which to treat the mob There are a great many people in this city who are of Dr. Babbitt's way of thinking.

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THE SEMI-COLON.

The semi-colon (;) is used to divide the larger sections of a sentence when the smaller ones are divided by commas. The semi-colon is used when "as" or an equivolent expression introduces an example, and when the answers "yes" and "no" is followed by a proposition or clause.

THE COLON.

The colon (:) is frequently used in letter writing, especially after the formal address. The colon always introduces something, and is used after the words "to-wit," "as follows," etc., and all direct quotations.

THE INTERROGATION POINT.

The interrogation point (?) is used in asking questions as follows:

"When are you coming to see us?" "Did you receive a letter from me last week?"

THE DASH.

The dash (—) is used to note a change of thought The dash is also used to denote an omission as "When have you seen Mr. —— ?"

The dash is also used after a quotation, before the name of the author, providing the name is written on the same line as "Brevity is the soul of witt."—Shakespeare.

QUOTATION MARKS.

Quotation marks (" ") are used when you write something that some one else has said.

THE HYPHEN.

The hyphen (-) is used to divide and connect words and syllables The hyphen is very useful in letter writing as it is also used to divide a word at the end of a line, when there is not space enough to write the full word on that particular line, but the division should always be syllabelic

It is hoped that all those who are studying the lessons will thoroughly familiarize themselves with all of the above punctuation points.

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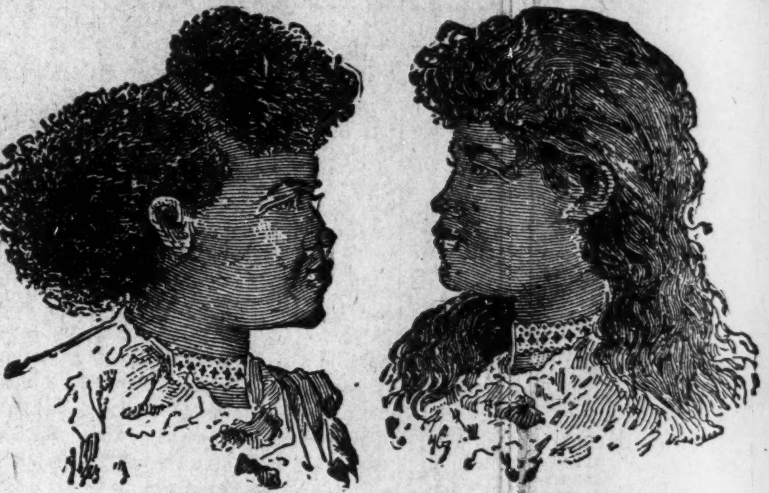

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Mr. Williams' early home was in Lapeer, Mich. He prepared for college at that place, and afterwards graduated from the University of Michigan with the degree of B. A. He was the first colored male graduate of the college department of that university. After graduating from Ann Arbor Mr. Williams taught school for one year at Greensboro, Ala., after that he was appointed to a position of "examiner" in the Adjudicating Department of the United States Pension Bureau at Washington, D. C. While thus employed Mr. Williams entered the Law Department of the Columbian University at Washington. He was the first colored student to enter this school, and his presence caused a sensation. Strong efforts were made to expell him on account of his color, but he stood his ground and graduated, receiving the degree of B. L., M. L., and successfully competed for one of the university prizes by his legal thesis. After graduating from the Columbia Law School Mr. Williams resigned his position in the Pension office and went to Chicago in 1886 where and when he became a member of the Chicago bar.

S. LAING WILLIAMS.

Mr. Williams has never held a public office, but has quietly and persistently followed his profession. He has always been a public spirited citizen and has always been highly esteemed by the prominent men of both races. In 1888 Mr. Williams was happily married to Miss Fannie Barrier, of Brockport, N. Y., who is one of the best known colored women in the country. During the past three years he has held the office of Compiler to the National Negro Business League.

Mr. G. W. Franklin, Jr., of Chattanooga Tenn., is one of the most popular and successful undertakers in the South, as well as one of the best known men of the National Negro Business League, and has always shown marked interest in the League, having attended all of its annual sessions from its beginning at Boston in 1900.

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FLASHES FROM THE SPEECH OF B. T. WASHINGTON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Before an audience, which surpassed in numbers and enthusiasm, the fondest hopes of his warmest admirers, Dr. Booker T. Washington, on Friday evening, March 18th, delivered an oration at the National Capital, which should receive careful consideration by every thoughtful American. Through the courtesy of the officers of the Metropolitan A. M. E. church, in which and for which the address was made, Messrs. Arthur S. Gray, president of the Pen and Pencil Club, Wm. H. Davis and Frederick A. Sims, all government stenographers, were given seats at the press table, and from their stenographic reports the following epigrams are selected as exhibiting the high ground assumed by Dr. Washington in this memorable oration:

His Ideal.

"Every individual, every race, every nation, should have a goal toward which it is continually making progress, and in each case that goal should be the very highest and best things that the nation has to offer."

Attitude Toward Critics.

"There is a certain work for each individual to perform, and he should be fortified by the most complete education of the hand, of the head and of the heart. He should go forward unspoiled by praise, unruffled by adverse criticism. He should welcome criticism in the same spirit that he welcomes commendations."

Status of the American Negro.

"As yet ours is a child race, very largely an undeveloped race. When I say that I do not mean an inferior race, which is a far different thing. The main question, however, is not as to whether we are a child race or an undeveloped race, but it is—are we growing? Are we going upward as a people? A study of our history during the last forty years will prove that no other race under similar circumstances has begun to make the progress that is true of our people in every part of this country."

Race Pride.

"I was never prouder of the achievements and the progress of the black man of this country than I am to-night. I am proud that I am a black man. There are a few kinds of individuals for whom I have supreme contempt and one is the man who is ashamed of the race to which he belongs"

Freedom a Conquest.

"In demanding I would set no limit in any sphere of life in which the Negro is expected to accomplish. We cannot, however, reach our end by merely willing to do something, by merely demanding something. Freedom, in its broadest and largest sense, can never be a bequest; it must be a conquest."

Scope of Education.

"Every race of people must have enlightenment, must have education. By education I mean that which is most modern, that which is best adapted to the needs of the country in which those people live. We are about forty years of age, and in a new country and among a new people. It naturally and logically follows that the first concerns of those people are very largely those that relate to their material condition. They want schools, houses banking accounts, manufacturing—all of those material possessions upon which every race of people rests whose civilization is secure and permanent. In our present condition it is important that not all, but a very large proportion of our brightest and best young people receive that education which will help them most to go home and create a business out of the raw material before them."

True Basis of Professional Classes.

"No race that is segregated can get along without its professional class. We need ministers, we need doctors, we need lawyers of the highest efficiency, but at the same time we need back of and beneath this professional class a number of intelligent artisans and producers. In proportion as we have this intelligent producing class will the professional class be sustained and supported."

Need of Colleges and Technical Schools.

"We need every kind of educational advantage that every other race has before it. Massachusetts needs her Harvard College and at the same time she needs her Institute of Technology. The Negro needs the college and beside it or near it he needs at the same time the manual training school, the technical school, the industrial school. Don't tear down either, but build up both of them."

Lack of Pioneer Spirit.

"When one black man reaches a place and two white men you have got a race problem there right away. As a rule we wait too long. The white man gets the best places first; and when he fells the forests, lays out the streets, installs the telegraph and telephone wires and all that he is going to come very near governing that city. (Here Dr. Washington showed how this rule had been reversed in favor of the Negro at Tuskegee.)

The Crux of the Problem.

"The real problem is at the South. No man in this country could appreciate more keenly than I do the wrongs and injustices to which my race is subjected. But I have resolved, nevertheless to live and die in the heart of the South among the lowly of my race. If they have difficulties I am going to share them. The great body of our people are to remain for all time in the South. What next follows, naturally and logically? That in every manly, straightforward manner we should seek to cultivate the friendship, the confidence, and the sympathy of the people by whose side we live."

Unity of White and Black Man's Interest.

"Say what we will our interests are bound up with the interests of the white man. We cannot tear ourselves asunder. I believe in the last analysis, in a very large measure, we have got to depend upon the cultivation of right, local, public sentiment that shall stand back of righteousness in the South."

Polly of Race Prejudice.

"Show me a white man who curses and damns the Negro because of his color and I will show you a narrow man who is degrading his own soul. Show me a black man who is continually cursing the white man without cause and I will show you a black man who is narrow and degrading his own soul."

The Right of Protest.

"In a manly, straightforward manner we have a right to, and we should protest against all the evils that are placed in our pathway as a race. We should have indignation meetings when necessary; we should speak in no uncertain sound; but, it seems to me, that we should cultivate a manly self-respect that will not permit us to hate any man by reason of his color or by reason of his race."

Unfair Suffrage Laws.

"Any subterfuge in the form of law that gives the ignorant white man the right to express his wants at the ballot box and with-holds that same privilege from the ignorant Negro is an injustice to both races. Every law placed in the Constitution of the United States was placed there to stimulate and encourage the highest citizenship. If the Negro is not stimulated by just national and state laws to become the highest type of citizens the result will be worse for the Southern white man than for the Negro. Unless the Negroes are encouraged by just election laws to become tax-payers and producers the white people will have about their necks an eternal millstone. Under a Republican form of government any race or people is in a weak position, and they can only stand on a footing with the rest of the people in that republic in proportion as they have the ballot.

Lynching.

"Every man who commits a crime should have a trial by a jury of his peers. Lynching, whether it occurs in Ohio or Mississippi, is one of the curses of this nation that must be blotted out sooner or later"

Economic Foundation of the Ballot.

"You must have the ballot, but back of it there must be an economic foundation. The people of San Domingo have all of their political rights and are intelligent; they are weak because they have failed to lay an economic foundation."

"Wherever you find a people that live upon other people's land, in other people's houses, and wear other people's clothes you have a people who are not and who cannot be independent in their political activities."

Education Not a Failure.

"Education among the Negro has not been and is not a failure. Spain, notwithstanding its old civilization, has today sixty-eight per cent of its population in ignorance, Italy thirty-eight per cent; the average South American country eighty per cent; while the Negro in this country, free only forty years, has only forty-four per cent of his people in ignorance."

Education and Crime.

"It has been said that in proportion as the Negro is educated he becomes more criminal. It has also been said that the Negro in Massachusetts is five times more criminal than the ignorant Negro in Mississippi. The later is true but the statistician should have gone a step farther and said that which the statistics prove—that the white man in Massachusetts is ten times more criminal than the white man in Mississippi. There is less crime in all agricultural states than there is in manufacturing or cosmopolitan communities. Ninety per cent of the colored people in Southern penitentiaries have no trades and sixty-one per cent of the colored people in Southern prisons are wholly illiterate. The editor of the Progressive Farmer, a native Southern white man, asserts that during the last two years, in which he has made a careful study of Negro crininals in the state prison at Raleigh, he finds that forty per cent more of them are ignorant than intelligent."

Virtue of Race Help.

"No member of your (the white) race can hurt the weakest of my race without the purest and bluest blood in your civilization being degraded. No member of your race can, in the slightest degree, lift up the weakest member of mine without your own being lifted up and made more Christlike.

Race Standards.

"More and more the people of this country should learn to judge my race by its best and not by its weakest elements; by those in the schools, not by those in the penitentiaries. Whatever evils the Negro may possess he rarely betrays a spirit of ingratitude or is inclined to betray a trust. Whether in ignorance or intelligence, in freedom or slavery, the black man has always been true to the stars and stripes, and to the highest and best interests of the nation. No black man has ever lifted his hand to strike down the Chief Executive of the nation, or waved aloft the red flag of anarchy. What we have been in the past is our guarantee for all the future that is before us as a race.

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Muncie Happenings.

Muncie, Ind, Special.—Mr. Harvey Phillips of E. Main st., was called to Cedarville O., by the death of his mother. Rev. Taylor, pastor A. M. E. church gave a scriptual lecture to a large congregation Sunday evening, the theme: 'Wanted a Man," was ably delivered and well received. Both the A. M. E and Second Baptist S. S., are making elaborate preparations for Easter. The Kings of Daughters, gave another one of their musical entertainments Monday evening March 21. Mr. Hosea Shoecraft and Miss Thurman, of Rushville were married by Rev. W. K Warren of the Second Baptist church. Mr. Wallace Johnson is seriously ill at his home in E. Jackson st. Mrs. James is able to be about again after a severe attact of La grippe. Mr. Eli Scott of Richmond, Ind., was the guest of relaover Sunday. Miss Sawyers and Mrs. Warren read very interesting papers at the Young Peoples Union of the Second Baptist church Sunday evening. The Business men of Muncie have organized a league. They meet every Friday evening in K. of P. Hall.

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TESTIMONIALS.

To whom it may concern: This is to certify that Dr. Robertson is true. I was in my bed afflicted for months; could not raise up my hand until I heard of Dr. Robertson. I sent for him immediately. He came to my home and told me what was the matter, also cured me round with his spiritual power. I am excited from gladness. Rev. O. F. Clinton, Jackson, Miss.

To the public in general: Allow me to express what Dr. H. W. Robertson has done for me. I was sick for five pears and my husband was nearly crazy from a spell that he had for fifteen years and we could not succeed in anything until I tried this gifted medium and he removed the spells and sickness entirely; now we are happy indeed. We would like to have him to live in our city. Very respectfully, Mrs. I. V. Norman, No. 1123 Tchoupitoulas street, New Orleans, La.

Dear Friends: This is to certify that Dr. Henrygoldsea W. Robertson can help the needy. My husband was so cross when he would come to the house I could not stay inside. He kept drunk for years, but after a friend of mine advised me to see Doctor Robertson. I took her advice and to-day we have our own home and a large farm. He is a powerful man. Levy Myles, Vickburg, Miss.

Dr. H. W. Robertson: Dear Friend—I received the last medicine that you sent me and after using it three days I felt as a new woman; all swelling left and the other matter is settled. I am, yours truly, J. J. Holland Mobile, Ala.

This is to certify that Dr. Robertson is great. I had been fighting for my bounties so long until I thought there was no hope, but after reading of his wonders, I gave him a trial and I got my money and have settled up all debts and are in a pretty cottage of my own. May God bless him forever. D. H. Hunt, Chicago, Ill.

Dr. H. W. Robertson: Dear Sir—Allow me to thank you for your kindness. I have gained my property back and the woman who caused the trouble between my husband and I have left the town and he is now better than ever. You will always have my best wishes for success. Mrs. L. E. Jackson, Beaumont. Texas.

Dear Dr. Robertson: Only a few words to thank you kindly for what you did for me. The parties who stole my clothes and jewelry brought them back and put them at my gate. It is a talk for the town. You are true in your works. Respectfully, G. Cinclare, Raleigh, North Carolina.

Dr. Robertson: Dear Sir—After you removed the evil spirits from our home and gave us the lucky charm, we succeeded in getting the hidden treasure. Now we are leaving to live in another state and will always picture you in our memory. From R. A. and E. Penn, Omaha, Nebraska.

Dear Friends: This is to certify that Dr. Robertson is true in what he says. I have lost my job for three months, did not have money to support my wife and family after consulting Dr. Robertson and he told me that witchcraft was the cause and worked his spiritual power for me. I am now doing well and have more work than I can really do. Also I and my friends have got him to decide to live in our city. I am yours respectfully, M. R. Hills, Dallas, Texas.

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The entertainment at the Douglass school last night, was an enjoyable affair.

Mr. John Jones, 614 Ogden street, is visiting his mother in Louisville this week.

Miss Drucilla Mea Jackson left for Chicago this week, to be gone two months.

Prof. Kendall, Superintendent of the Public Schools, addressed the Guild last Sunday.

Mr. Charles Harper has been confined to his home for the past week with Rheumatism.

The Y. M. C. A. Literay Society meets every Thursday night, it will pay you to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Porter of 1419, Hill avenue, entertained a number of friends at dinner Friday last.

Mrs. Bruce who has been ill at her home in West North street, for the past two weeks, is out again.

Mrs. Henry V. Hart, entertained her daughters Tuesday evening with a surprise party. Many friends of the family were present.

Miss Flora B. Lewis organist at the Second Baptist church, was guietly married at the home of her sister, last week, to Mr. Wm. Evans, of Dayton, Ohio.

A new social club known as the "Do Do Girls," was organized last week. Misses Mable Taylor, President; Minnie Cornett, Secretary; Esther Miller, Treasurer.

The feeling against Samuel Taylor, winner of first place in the recent Shortridge High School Oratorical primaries, is thought have practically subsided. Taylor will not, be asked to resign in favor of Sumner Clancy, winner of the second place. Clancy it is said to be satisfied with the decision. It is believed that the school will loyally support Taylor in the State Contest, in May.

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Easter Program—Simpson Chapel M. E. Church.

At 9 a. m. the Sunday-school will render a short program, after which will be preaching by the pastor, Rev. N. H. Talbot, singing by the Simpson Chapel Choral Society. At 8 p. m. the following program will be rendered:

Organ.............Miss Georgie Porter
Hymn.............Congregation
Invocation.............Mr. Sanford Yopp
Anthem.............
Simpson Chapel Choral Society
Scripture Lesson.............Mr. Julius Cox
Instrumental Solo.............Miss Hazel Hart
Easter Address.............Samuel Taylor
Solo.............Mrs. M S Johnson
Anthem.....St. Phillip's Mission Choir
Contribution.
Solo.............Miss Rose Heston
Solo.............Mr. Fred Anderson
Reading, "Him Exalted," James..
W. Riley.............Miss Mamie Clay
Solo.............Mr. Major Daniels
Remarks.............Rev. N. H. Talbot

Allen Chapel A. M. E. Church—Easter Program.

1. Organ.............Voluntary
2. Song.........Choir and Congregation
3. Scripture lesson and prayer...Pastor
4 Song.............Choir
"Shout Aloud Hosanna."
5. Notices.
6. Song, "He is Risen,".............Choir
7. Sermon.............Pastor
8. Song, "He Liveth,".............Choir

AFTERNOON—2 P. M.
Exercises by Sabbath School.
EVENING—7:30.
Song service.

1. Organ.............Voluntary
2. Song.............Choir
3. Tenor Solo.............Mr. Samuels
4. Song.............Choir
5. Easter Solo.............Mrs. K. Harper
6. Song.............Choir
7. Baritone Solo.............Mr. Jones
8. Remarks.............Mr. J. B. Rush
9. Song.............Choir

Y. M. C. A.

Lawyers Hill and Rush addressed the meeting at the Association rooms last Sunday. Mr. Russell T. Byers lectured to the Literary Society last Thursday night. The Saturday night "drop ins" are more than popular. Many young men come and spend a social evening at the rooms. The Japanese and Oriental entertainment will be given Friday night, April 8th, at the Ninth Presbyterian church. The committees in charge are Miss Hart, fish pond; Miss Beard, tea tables; Miss Harris, novelty room; Miss Miller, fortune teller; Mrs. Kersey, refreshments.

Rev. H A. Gibson pastor of the Ninth Presbyterian church of this city, is preparing to give up the pastorate, to enter upon evangelistic work. He is arranging for a tour through the West, and Southwest this summer. His work will be undenominational. Those wishing his service, can address him at 629 W. St. Clair St. Indianapolis, Ind.

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C. B. Allen, pastor.

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